Park Avenue Synagogue Bulletin

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Mitzvah Day 5771

God, Torah and Israel

This past summer, I was asked a straightforward question that startled me. At a planning meeting for the current year, a lay leader turned to me and asked what our synagogue stands for. Certainly as we embarked on a year of activity, she explained, it would be nice to hear from the Rabbi the ideals that should inform our efforts. The exchange made me realize that perhaps I had never articulated the values underpinning everything we do and should be doing as a congregation – an oversight that I now seek to rectify.

The core elements are God, Torah and Israel. These three elements stand at the center of everything I hope our synagogue will accomplish in the years ahead. The list did not originate with me, but when it comes to identifying Jewish values, originality is hardly a virtue.

God. Our congregation is first and foremost a house of prayer. Unlike a JCC, the 92nd Street Y, UJA-Federation, or any other institution of Jewish civic life, the synagogue is a place to address the spiritual strivings of its membership. We do not seek to replicate the services of yesteryear, but to enable our congregants to hear God's eternal voice today. Judaism is a religion of sacred deeds; it is through performing mitzvot that we seek to give a human response to our quest for God. In times of joy and sadness, community activity and quiet reflection, the clergy of Park Avenue seek to bring God's presence into our midst.

Torah. We are the People of the Book. In this context "Torah" means not only the Five Books of Moses, but all of Jewish learning. Study of and familiarity with our sacred tradition is the starting point for an engaged Jewish identity. Every educator on the Park Avenue staff has a responsibility to make the traditions of our people come alive with a pressing relevance to the lives of our members. Torah, while it is our unique sacred inheritance, bears a message for all of humanity. A living torah thus speaks both to our particular identity and to our shared humanity.

Israel. Israel includes both the modern state of Israel and the entire people of Israel. A contemporary Jewish identity that does not engage with the State of Israel is incomplete. A Jewish identity that does not extend to include world Jewry is also unfulfilled. To be Jewish means to understand your personal destiny as part of the grand Jewish narrative and circle of concern. Hospital visits, shiva calls, and daily minyan are as much a part of this global and local sense of belonging and shared responsibility as communal celebrations and generous giving.

There is much more to say about each element. Over the fall I will be teaching a three-session course devoted to elucidating each one in turn. Apart from this direct answer to the congregant who asked what PAS stands for, I hope that as you read our Fall Program Calendar, you will see that all of our classes and events are expressions of the above ideals.

"Israel, Torah and God are one." The Jewish mystical tradition teaches that these three interlocking elements form the nucleus of our Judaism. So too, they define and unify us as a congregation. The rest, as they say, is commentary.

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Why Giving to Your Synagogue Matters

Recently Newsweek published a column by Lisa Miller entitled "The Cost of Being Jewish: How the Recession Affects Religion." Miller describes the challenges faced by rising costs of membership at synagogues, the choices families must make in challenging economic times and the potential for membership levels to be under pressure at many synagogues with traditional models of membership based on dues. She asks the most fundamental of questions. "Why does it cost so much to be Jewish? At a time when American families are tightening household budgets, does it really make sense to continue to charge thousands of dollars to participate in Jewish life?"

Similarly, Beth S. Wenger argued in her 1996 book New York Jews and the Great Depression: Uncertain Promise that despite the solace and spiritual retreat that synagogues offered to members, synagogue support was dramatically reduced during the Great Depression as families under economic pressure looked at their dues as a family budget item to be saved despite whatever spiritual or religious value the synagogue provided. As chronicled in our 125th anniversary history, *Unbroken Chain: Celebrating 125 Years*, Park Avenue Synagogue itself faced difficult times during the Great Depression.

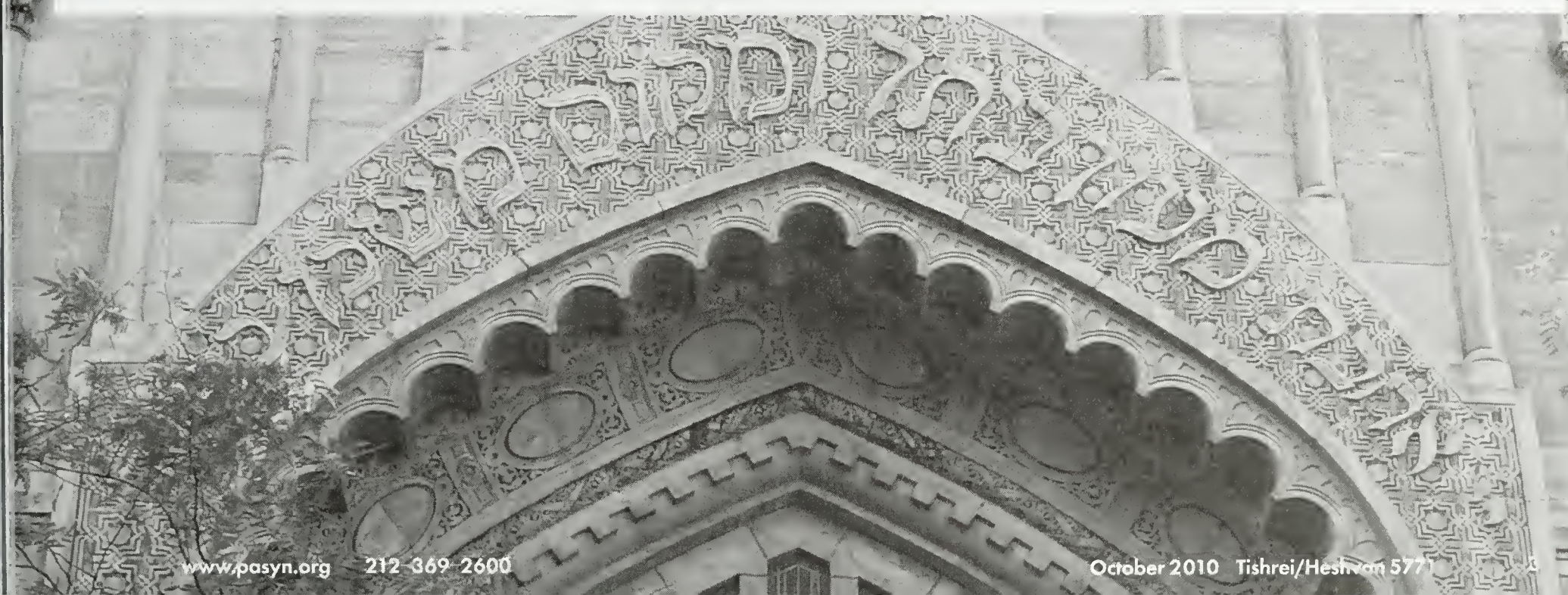
Our synagogue is managing its way through today's challenging economic times in a variety of ways. We have lived within our means for many years and we will continue to do so. Our expenses are monitored closely, and our endowment assets have been maintained through careful management. We have limited dues increases to the lowest levels for many years. We minimize the fees charged to members for many community events, and many events are free.

Your clergy and other professionals work together with your lay leadership to make Park Avenue Synagogue a vibrant center of Jewish life offering a wide range of experiences for members of all interests and every age. Whether you come for classes or concerts, services or ice cream socials, book discussions or ballgames, Park Avenue Synagogue is a second home where you can use your intellect, deepen your faith, and enrich your spirit. The Fall Program guide that is enclosed this month's Bulletin presents a wide range of activities. I hope that every member finds a new aspect of synagogue life to explore this year.

As a result of our commitment to minimize the cost of membership, dues alone are insufficient to enable us to provide a broad array of religious and cultural experiences to all members. In fact, dues represent less than 40% of our budget. We rely on the generosity of our members for financial security and stability. In particular, our Kol Nidre campaign is one of our primary sources of revenue and is critical to the financial health of our synagogue. We hope for 100% participation from all members.

We depend on your generosity to achieve our community goals of making Park Avenue Synagogue your Jewish home, where you find intellectual and spiritual splendor, comfort and care. Last year, despite the challenging economic environment, you answered our call and enabled Park Avenue Synagogue to take important steps for its future. We ask again this year that everyone give as generously as they can to this wonderful and storied institution.

I hope every member was inspired during our High Holy Day and Festival services. I ask that everyone give as generously as they can. As I said on Kol Nidre, on behalf of the Officers and Board of Trustees of your Synagogue, I wish everyone a shanah tovah u-metukah – a good and sweet year – and pray that all of our members and their families are written and sealed in the Book of Life for a year and life of health, happiness, peace, prosperity, and friendship. Thank you.



The Spirituality of Welcoming

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the terebinths of Mamre; he was sitting at the entrance of the tent as the day grew hot. (Genesis 18:1). The Midrash teaches us that Abraham and Sarah's tent had no walls. Not only could they see every wayfarer and extend a generous welcome, all those who sought refuge could easily enter their loving embrace. What is the first prayer we recite upon entering the synagogue in the morning? *Mah tovu ohalekha ya'akov mishkenotekha yisrael*, How good are your tents, O Jacob, your prayer houses, O Israel! A good synagogue, like a good tent, should be easily accessible, open to those seeking a place to call home.

During Rosh Hashanah, I spoke of the many portals through which we enter this community. I also emphasized the importance of opening our doors to individuals who have yet to find their spiritual home. Dr. Ron Wolfson, author of *The Spirituality of Welcoming* suggests that we need to "open our doors wide, put out the welcome mat, invite in the newcomer, and extend hospitality to all who enter, to bring them closer to our spiritual community."

Some of the newcomers we welcome this year will be seeking to become Jews through our new conversion program, Masa'ot: Journey into Judaism. In addition to offering them formal learning opportunities, we will encourage these individuals to become full participants in the spiritual, intellectual, and social activities of our community.

Other newcomers will be young professionals in their 20's and 30's entering our doors for one of many exciting new programs this year. Whether they come to Shabbat dinners or to a much anticipated "Last Lecture" series, these individuals will ultimately be looking for a sacred community that values their needs. PAS is and can be this community.

Finally, be on the look out for children at play. According to our new Director of Young Family Education, one-third of our congregation has children under the age of six. This will now translate into many more Shabbat morning programs and holiday events for young children as well as a study, reading and discussion group for their parents. I am also excited to announce that we are creating a dedicated space where young children and parents can hear and be part of our Sanctuary services while in a child-friendly environment.

Our synagogue, like Abraham and Sarah's tent, is opening its doors. The Talmud teaches us that welcoming newcomers is a greater mitzvah than welcoming the Shekhinah, God's presence (Shabbat 127a). We hope to help each individual, created in God's image, feel welcomed to the spiritual, intellectual and social life of the PAS community.

EVENTS

Guest Sermon & Rabbinic Dialogue – Shabbat Morning Program

Shabbat B'reishit | Saturday, October 2

9:15 am | **Sanctuary Shabbat Service**
Guest Speaker Rabbi David J. Wolpe
"The Exodus Controversy Ten Years Later"

1:00 pm | **Rabbinic Dialogue**
Rabbi Elliot J. Cosgrove & Rabbi David J. Wolpe
"Why Faith Matters"

2:00 pm | **Minha services** at the conclusion of the program

David Wolpe is the Rabbi of Sinai Temple in Los Angeles, California. He is the author of seven books, including *Why Faith Matters* and the national bestseller *Making Loss Matter: Creating Meaning in Difficult Times*. He wrote the Foreword for *Jewish Theology for Our Time*, edited by Rabbi Cosgrove. Rabbi Wolpe has taught at JTS, the American Jewish University, Hunter College, and UCLA. His work has been profiled in the NY and *LA Times*, and he writes regularly for many publications, including *The LA Times*, the Washington Post's On Faith website, The Huffington Post, *New York Jewish Week*, beliefnet.com, and *The Jerusalem Post*. He has been featured on PBS, A&E, the History channel, and the Discovery channel, and has offered commentary on the TODAY show, CNN and CBS This Morning.

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Friday, October 1 23 Tishrei
Simhat Torah
Candles, ***6:21 pm***
9:15 am | Festival Morning Service
6:15 pm | Friday evening service

Saturday, October 2 24 Tishrei
Parashat B'reishit
9:15 am | Sanctuary Shabbat service
B'nei Mitzvah of Joshua and Samantha Zemser, children of Amy & Scott Zemser
Guest speaker: Rabbi David J. Wolpe
10:15 am | Junior Congregation
11:15 am | Young Family Shabbat Services (see page 13.)

Friday, October 8 30 Tishrei
Rosh Hodesh
Candles, ***6:10 pm***
6:15 pm | Friday Evening Service with Children's Birthday Blessings

Saturday, October 9 1 Heshvan
Rosh Hodesh/Parashat Noah
9:15 am | Sanctuary service

Friday, October 15 7 Heshvan
Candles, ***5:59 pm***
6:15 pm | Musical Kabbalat Shabbat

Saturday, October 16 8 Heshvan
Parashat Lekh L'kha
9:15 am | Sanctuary Shabbat service
Bat Mitzvah of Rebecca Finley, daughter of Carol & John Finley
9:30 am | Havurah
10:00 am | Shabbat B'Yachad Gimel/Dalet
10:15 am | Junior Congregation Hey/Vav
11:15 am | YFE Shabbat services (See page 13.)

Friday, October 22 14 Heshvan
Candles, ***5:48 pm***
5:00 pm | Young Family Kabbalat Shabbat service
6:15 pm | Friday Evening Services

Saturday, October 23 15 Heshvan
Parashat Va-yera
9:00 am | Sanctuary Shabbat service
10:15 am | Junior Congregation
11:15 am | Rabbi Cosgrove lecture
6:00 pm | Minha

Friday, October 29 21 Heshvan
Candles, ***5:39 pm***
6:15 pm | Friday Evening service

Saturday, October 30 22 Heshvan
Parashat Hayyei Sarah
9:15 am | Sanctuary Shabbat service
Bar Mitzvah of Harrison Max Silver, son of Brad Silver and Nikki Schefler Silver
9:30 am | Havurah
10:00 am | Shabbat B'Yachad Hey/Vav
10:15 am | Junior Congregation Gimel/Dalet
5:30 pm | Young Family Havdalah Service
6:00 pm | Minha

Daily minyanim Monday-Friday at 7:15 am; Sundays and Legal Holidays at 9:00 am. Minha/Ma'ariv Sunday-Thursday at 5:45 pm. Shabbat minha 20 minutes after the end of morning services. Any changes are noted when they occur.

Rabbi Elliot J. Cosgrove and Rabbi Steven I. Rein will preach and conduct services together with Cantor Nancy Abramson, Cantor Elana Rozenfeld and the Synagogue Choir, with Neil Robinson at the organ.

Special Services

Friday, October 8 | 6:15 pm

Birthday Blessings ברכות

This family service includes Shabbat blessings, a small gift for birthday children, and a festive oneg Shabbat.

For information, *contact the Rabbis' office at 212-369-2600, x120.*

Saturdays, October 16, 30 | 9:30 am

Havurah חבורה

The Havurah is an informal, lay-led Shabbat morning service held in the Rothschild Library. People of all ages and skill levels attend and take turns leading and reading parts of the service

בני מצוה

top left: *Joshua Zemser;* **top right:** *Samantha Zemser;* **bottom left:** *Rebecca Finley;* **bottom right:** *Harrison Max Silver.*

B'nei Mitzvah

October 2 | Parashat B'reishit

Joshua Zemser

Joshua began his formal education at the PAS Early Childhood Center and has continued his religious education at the Congregational School. Josh is in 8th Grade at the Riverdale Country School. Josh is passionate about watching and playing sports, especially baseball. He has played baseball since he was 4 years old and currently plays on the RCS team. He loves the Yankees.

Josh spends summers at Camp Winadu, where he has made terrific friendships and immerses himself in a variety of sports. Josh is a warm, generous and compassionate young man with a strong moral compass and an intoxicating sense of humor. He has a deep sense of family and friends and has a special bond with his twin sister Samantha and his younger sister, Rachel.

Josh understands the importance of tzedakah and has contributed to his community in many ways, including volunteering at the PAS Food Pantry and Project Ezra.

Samantha Zemser

Samantha began her formal education at the PAS Early Childhood Center and has continued her Jewish education at the Congregational School. An 8th grader at Riverdale Country School, Sam enjoys a variety of sports and plays on the school soccer and softball teams. Sam spends summers at Camp Green Lane, where she has developed wonderful, long lasting friendships. At camp she plays many sports and is active in theater programs. She also loves to play and perform piano, which she has studied since she was 5 years old.

Sam has a great sense of humor, is thoughtful, generous, loyal and very compassionate. Tzedakah is important to her. She has contributed to her community in a variety of ways, including working at PAS Food Pantry and the Ezra Project. Sam has a deep sense of family and friends and has a special bond with her twin brother Joshua and her younger sister, Rachel.

Joshua, Samantha and their family extend their deepest thanks to the rabbis, cantors, teachers and their tutor Ronit for guidance and constant encouragement during their preparation to become B'nei Mitzvah.

October 16 | Parashat Lekh L'kha

Rebecca Finley

Rebecca has attended the PAS Congregational School since Gan (Kindergarten). She is now a 7th grader at the Horace Mann School. Rebecca enjoys expressing herself through creative writing. She also actively participates in several sports, including skiing, wakeboarding, golf and squash.

Rebecca is lively, adventurous and independent. She is always ready with a bright smile.

This past summer was memorable for Rebecca because she visited Israel for the first time. The trip had many highlights, but her time in Jerusalem was particularly special. The summer was also Rebecca's first at Laurel South Camp in Maine. She made great friends and loved the sense of community and spirit at camp.

Rebecca and her family thank her tutor, Jonathan Schultz, for helping her prepare to celebrate becoming a bat mitzvah. Rebecca also appreciated the opportunity to get to know Rabbi Cosgrove and Rabbi Rein better as they guided her with her dvar Torah.

October 30 | Parashat Hayyei Sarah

Harrison Max Silver

Harrison is a 7th grader at Riverdale Country School who loves sports, especially baseball, basketball and lacrosse. He also enjoys playing Risk and cards with his brothers Jack and Justin, going to movies and listening to music. He looks forward to his summers at Camp Cedar in Maine. Interested in politics and public service, he has served in student government, including as president of the lower school at RCS.

Harrison likes to travel; a trip to Israel and family vacations are especially memorable. He was a sports ambassador for People-to-People in Vienna, Austria where he played baseball for the U.S.

Diagnosed at 3 months with hydrocephalus, Harrison has been active in the Hydrocephalus Association. For his mitzvah project, Harrison is helping start a division of the Association called Teens Take Charge, which will help teens begin to care for themselves and inspire them to raise awareness in their communities. This year Harrison will be going to Washington D.C. to help advocate on Capitol Hill.

Harrison's education started at PASECC and has continued at the Congregational School. PAS is a special place for him and his family as his grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins are all active members of the community. Harrison thanks his parents and all his PAS teachers and clergy for helping him prepare for his Bar Mitzvah, with a special thank you to Cantor Elana.

המקום ינחם אתכם

Condolences

Rachelle & Howard Balaban, Matthew and Jennifer on the loss of Rachelle's mother, Irene Schwadron

Lionel Barasch and Jonathan Barasch on the loss of their father, Clarence Barasch

Alexander Grinberg and Efraim Grinberg on the loss of their mother, Sonia Grinberg

Stuart and Linda Schlesinger on the loss of his brother, Stanley Schlesinger

Nancy & Joel Hirschtritt on the loss of her mother, Bessie Spiro

Larry and Nina Wallach on the loss of his father, Rubin Wallach

מזל טוב

Mazal Tov

Rabbi Julia Andelman & Dr. Eitan Fishbane – on their marriage, and to their daughter, Aderet Fishbane.

Beryl Chernov & Rima Yohay – on their marriage.

Matt Check – on being chosen to participate in the Leadership Initiative for Congregational School Educators, a 2½-year program designed to enhance leadership capacity, expand pedagogic skills and expand Judaic knowledge. The program is sponsored by JTS and HUC-JIR and funded by UJA-Federation of NY.

Anne & Paul Corwin – on the marriage of their son Michael to Dorit Ingber, and to Michael and Dorit.

Rabbi Steven Rein – on his promotion to Captain in the United States Air Force.

Ghita Schwarz – on the publication of her novel *Displaced Persons*. Ghita is the daughter of Malka Schwarz.

New
ברוכים הבאים
Members

Michael Bederman & Anna Gelb
Christopher & Carrie Boova
Carmel & Babette Cohen
Eric & Jennifer Friedland
Marc Karimzadeh & Whitney Robinson
Jonathan & Amy Knepper
Debra Lehrman
David & Michelle Leitner
Sabina Lozovsky
Daniel & Heather Mendelow
Edie Nadler
Michael Odell & Andrea Olshan
Randy & Sheri Siller
Martin & Shirley Stauber
Glenn & Hope Taitz

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ENGAGEMENT,
WEDDING,
NEW GRANDCHILD,
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For more information,
contact Sam Rosenberg
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or srosenberg@pasyn.org.

ADULT CLASSES & EVENTS

For detailed information, including how to make reservations, please consult the Fall Program Calendar or visit www.pasyn.org.

Weekly Classes

Mondays

6:20 pm | **Hebrew 101 | Dina Mann**
6:20 pm | **Hebrew 103 | Vivian Nissan**
7:30 pm | **Hebrew 102 | Dina Mann**
7:30 pm | **Hebrew 104 | Varda Hubara**
7:30 pm | **MASA'OT: Journeys Into Judaism** | *begins October 18*

Tuesday

8:00 am | **Essential Essays | Rabbi Cosgrove**
11:30 am | **Contemporary Jewish Thought | Rabbi Rein**
6:30 pm | **Davening for Daveners | Cantor Elana Rozenfeld** | *October 12, 19, 26*

Wednesday

6:45 pm | **Florence Melton Adult Mini-School**
7:15 pm | **Adult Bat Mitzvah** | *begins October 20*

Thursday

9:15 am | **Florence Melton Adult Mini-School**
12:00 pm | **Lunch & Learn | PAS Senior Staff**

Friday

8:00 am | **Talmud Torah | Rabbi Rein**

Shabbat/Saturday

8:45 am | **Parashat Hashavua | Rabbi Rein**

4-Week

4-Week Midtown Lunch & Learn

Wednesdays | October 20, 27; November 3, 10 | 12:00 – 1:00 pm | Rabbi Zuckerman

Join in text study and discussion over lunch (bring your own). Space is limited. No charge.

To reserve a spot and for location information, *email lifelonglearning@pasyn.org or call 212-369-2600, x121.*

Biweekly

Horim 101

Tuesdays | October 5, 19 | 3:00-4:00 pm | Rabbi Steven Rein

For parents with children 0-5

How to infuse Judaism into your home — a class on Jewish parenting.

Israel: A Jewish Choice

A Six-Part Lecture Series with Dr. Kenneth Stein

Tuesdays | 7:30 – 9:00 pm
October 5, 19, November 2, 16, 30, December 14

To register, *go to www.pasyn.org and click where it says "Register online now...".*

God, Torah and Israel: Three Evenings of Learning with Rabbi Cosgrove

Tuesday | October 12, 26 | 7:00 pm

Don't miss the first and second of three evenings of learning with Rabbi Cosgrove examining the foundations of Jewish Identity. Topic for the first evening: questions of belief. Second evening: an approach to Jewish Study.

Monthly/Bimonthly

Bringing Israel Home: Pizza & Pool Party

For families who participated in the June Israel Trip

Sunday, October 3 | 4:00 pm

Sponsored by Sisterhood

Daytime Book Discussion Group

Monday, October 4 | 11:00 am | Facilitator: Renée Waldinger

Book: ***Once Upon a Country: A Palestinian Life*** by Sari Nusseibeh.

For more information and a reading list, *please call Renée at 212-860-4308.*

Sponsored by the Edmond de Rothschild Library

Evening Book Discussion Group

Monday, October 4 | 8:00 pm | Facilitator: Pat Davidson

Book: ***36 Arguments for the Existence of God*** by Rebecca Newberger Goldstein.

Foundations of Jewish Family Living

A Learning Program for Congregational School Parents

Tuesday | Oct. 5 | 5:00 pm | Rabbi Neil Zuckerman | RSVP
Wednesday | Oct. 6 | 5:00 pm | Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove | RSVP

RSVP to *Phyllis Spiro at pspiro@pasyn.org or 212-369-2600, x131.*

Sponsored by WEG

Moonbeams

Thursday, October 7 | 7:30 pm
in honor of Rosh Hodesh Heshvan

For location and readings, *contact Joann Rosoff at joannrosoff@aol.com.*

Caffeine for the Soul: Morning Torah Study with Rabbi Cosgrove

Friday, October 8 | 9:15-10:00 am | RSVP

RSVP to *lifelonglearning@pasyn.org.*

Sponsored by Sisterhood

Sholom Aleichem Yiddish Club

Tuesday, October 12 | 1:00 pm

Tikkun Olam Meeting

Thursday, October 14 | 6:15 pm

Join in planning for Mitzvah Day and other projects to benefit the PAS community and the wider community of which PAS is a part.

Social Justice Study Group

Thursday, Oct. 28 | 7:30-9:00 pm | R. Julia Andelman | RSVP

To RSVP and/or to volunteer to host a meeting, *email lifelonglearning@pasyn.org or call 212-369-2600 x121.*

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Film

Ajami

Mondoy, October 25 | 7:00 pm

Ajami is an impoverished area of Jaffa where Arabs, Palestinians, Jews and Christians live together in an atmosphere that is always vibrant and often violent. Written and directed by Scandar Copti (a Palestinian, born and raised in Ajami) and Yaron Shani (a Jewish Israeli), ***Ajami*** explores five stories in which different communities intersect with unexpected love and unavoidable tension. The many characters played by non-professional actors lend the story the feel of a documentary. Winner of the Israeli Ophir Award for Best Film, ***Ajami*** was nominated for the Academy Award for Best Foreign Language film.

One-Time Events

Men's Club New Members Reception

Thursday, October 14 | 7:00 pm | $ | RSVP

Join us for light dinner, drinks, good company and a wonderful musical performance by Michelle Citrin [*www.myspace.com/michellecitrin*]. Free to Men's Club members and new members of PAS; $10/guests.

RSVP to *jdolinsky@nyc.rr.com*

Sponsored by WEG

"History and Fate: Replaying the Birth of the State of Israel"

Mondoy, October 18 | 7:15 pm
Dr. Judith Shopiro & Dr. Mark Carnes

What does history teach us? Two outstanding educators will introduce us to their ground-breaking teaching technique, in which people learn to understand complex issues by playing sophisticated historical games. Our speakers will show us how replaying events in Palestine before the establishment of the state of Israel facilitate a better understanding of the Israel-Palestine conflict.

Dr. Judith R. Shapiro is former President of Barnard College and Professor Emerita of Anthropology. Dr. Mark C. Carnes is Professor of History at Barnard College.

Sponsored by Sisterhood

Lunch/Film/Discussion:

Hollywood: The Jews, the Movies, and the American Dream

Tuesdoy, October 19 | 1:00 pm

Explore the role of Jewish studio heads, producers, directors, writers, and actors in developing the movie industry. Film clips, archival photos, and interviews tell the story of how innovative Jews, many born in Europe, created Hollywood. All are welcome. Light lunch provided.

Sponsored by Sisterhood

Jewish Themes in Classical Music: A Multimedia Approach

Thursdoy, October 21 | 7:00 pm
Speoker: Fredric LeVine

Stories and poetry from the Hebrew Bible have inspired wonderful classical music. With recordings, film, and the live performance of cantorial singer Joshua Breitzer, Fred will illuminate the Jewish themes in works by Bernstein, Verdi, and Meyerbeer, as well as in one of his own pieces. All are invited.

Frederic LeVine, a member of PAS, is a music commentator and composer.

Sponsored by Sisterhood

Visit to Gracie Mansion

Wednesdoy, October 27 | 12:45 pm
$ | RSVP

Gracie Mansion, the official home of the Mayor of NYC, was built in 1799 by the prosperous merchant Archibald Gracie, for whom it was a country house five miles north of the city. Come for a guided tour. Cost: $4/seniors; $7/non-seniors. Meet at the mansion, in Carl Schurz Park at 88th Street and East End Avenue. Bring a photo ID and arrive promptly at 12:45 pm.

RSVP to *Helene Agress at 212-362-1233 by October 15.*

Sponsored by WEG

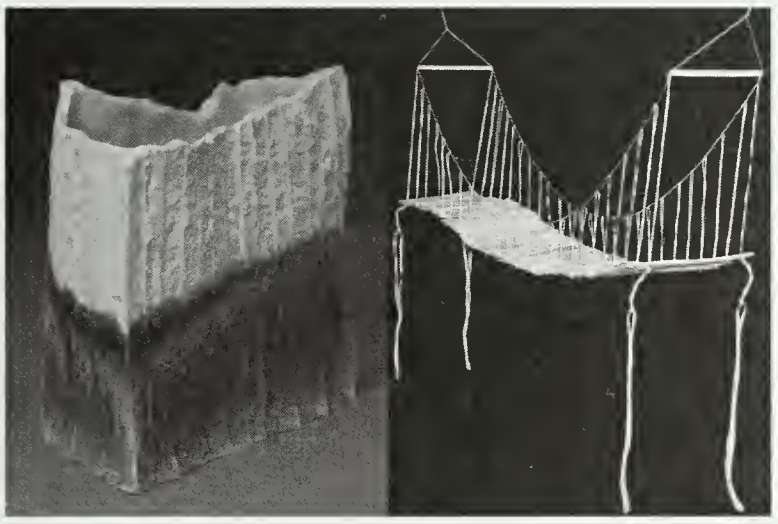
"Fyvush Finkel Live"

Wednesday, October 27 | 8:00 pm
Baruch Performing Arts Center

Learn about the musical journey and remarkable career of a living legend! Also performing is PAS congregant Merwin Goldsmith. A champagne reception with the cast follows the show. Tickets: $35/WEG members, $45/all others.

To register *or for more information, contact Laurie Malden, LVM62401@verizon.net, 212-861-0508 or Linda Klempner, LSKnyc@aol.com, 212-744-0234.*

PAS Gallery



Text and Texture: Midrash through Making

July – November 2010 | Mezzanine

Featuring Jo Kamm, Ceramic Artist and Heather G. Stoltz, Fiber Artist. Jo Kamm employs familiar shapes and textures as a way of asking questions about the human desire to find and make meaning. Heather Stoltz translates texts of the Jewish tradition into textile art. Works on display are for sale.

Shabbat Events

Sponsored by the Rothschild Library

Kids' Shabbat Book Basket

On Shabbat, look for the book basket near the ushers in the Sanctuary. There are Jewish books for children of all ages to look at while sitting quietly in their seats in the synagogue. Let your children enjoy the books during services and return them so that others may read them next week.

Shabbat Dinner with Martin Fletcher

Friday, October 15
6:15 pm | Musical Kabbalat Shabbat Service
7:30 pm | Dinner

For details, see the Fall Program Calendar, p. 9.

Especially for Young Professionals

Shabbat Dinner with Floyd Abrams and Jeffrey Rosen

Friday, October 22 | 8:00 pm
Topic: "Facebook and the Future of Privacy & Free Speech: The End of Forgetting in the Age of Social Networks"

Louis Jacobs – The Limits of Orthodoxy and the Future of Conservative Judaism

A Shabbat Morning Lecture Series with Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove

Shabbat/Saturday | October 23 | Services at 9:00 am

This event is first of three Shabbat mornings during the year when services will begin at 9:00 am and conclude by 11:15 am. Rabbi Cosgrove will lecture immediately afterwards, presenting his research on Rabbi Dr. Louis Jacobs, examining Jacobs' extended legacy and the ongoing implications of Jacobs' life for contemporary Jewry. A communal Kiddush will follow the lecture.

Reclaiming Shabbat

Shabbat Dinner | October 29 | New members especially invited

Enjoy a Shabbat meal in the home of a PAS congregant and fulfill the mitzvah of *hakhnasat orhim* (welcoming guests). Sign up to be a host or a guest. For details, please refer to the Reclaiming Shabbat brochure or to www.pasyn.org.

Shabbat Dinner with Rabbi David Saperstein

Friday, November 5
6:15 pm | Musical Kabbalat Shabbat Service
7:30 pm | Dinner
Topic: "The Use and Abuse of Jewish Tradition in Contemporary Political Debates"

For details, see the Fall Program Calendar, p. 10.

Congregational School Program Schedule

Saturday, October 2	9:15 am – 12:15 pm | Junior Congregation and classes (Gimel – Vav)
Tuesday, October 5	5:00 – 5:45 pm | Parent Education – Mitzvah Initiative | R. Zuckerman | Rothschild Library
Wednesday, October 6	5:00 – 5:45 pm | Parent Education – Mitzvah Initiative | R. Cosgrove | Rothschild Library
Saturday, October 9	No School – Columbus Day weekend
Monday, October 11	No School – Columbus Day
Thursday, October 14	5:30 – 7:00 pm | Vav B'nei Mitzvah program for students and parents | Lower Level
Saturday, October 16	9:15 am – 12:15 pm | Junior Congregation and classes for Hey and Vav students 10:00 am – 12:00 pm | Shabbat B'Yachad for Gimel and Dalet students and parents
Sunday, October 17	Trip to the Museum of Jewish Heritage for Zayin students and parents. Details to follow.
Tuesday, October 19	6:15 – 7:15 pm | Curriculum Night
Saturday, October 23	9:15 am – 12:15 pm | Junior Congregation and classes (Gimel – Vav)
Saturday, October 30	9:15 am – 12:15 pm | Junior Congregation and classes for Hey and Vav students 10:00 am – 12:00 pm | Shabbat B'Yachad for Gimel and Dalet students and parents

Tavim

Park Avenue Synagogue Youth Choir

Wednesdays | 5:30 – 6:30 pm

Led by Cantor Elana Rozenfeld and Brian Gelfand

Tavim (the Hebrew word for music notes) is open to any member of PAS from grade 3 and up. We will learn music for Shabbat, holidays, and just for fun. Tavim singers will have many opportunities to perform at services and special celebrations during the year. Come Sing! *Hava Nashirah!*

For more information or to join, *contact Cantor Elana Rozenfeld at erozenfeld@pasyn.org or 212-369-2600 x126.*

Toddler Classes

HaMishpachah Sheli *(My Family)*

Ages: 1½ – 3

Fall Semester: October 8, 2010 – January 28, 2011

Explore Jewish themes and holidays though stories, song, movement, arts & crafts and free play. Registration closes on October 6.

Choose from three Friday morning sessions:

9:30 – 10:30 am

10:30 – 11:30 am

11:30 am – 12:30 pm

To register or for more information, *contact Cindy Sherling at csherling@pasyn.org or 212-369-2600, x121. Cost: Members: $615 per child per semester, Nonmembers: $715 per child per semester.*

Shabbat Programs

We are excited to offer three different Shabbat morning programs for families with young children: Tot Shabbat, Shorashim and Nitzanim. Each of these programs will begin with Shabbat songs and continue with services filled with singing and dancing. After a story, we'll finish with Kiddush and a light snack. On select Shabbatot we will end by joining the rest of the congregation for the final song in the sanctuary.

Tot Shabbat

For families with children 0 – 3

Saturdays, October 2 & 16
11:15 am – 12:00 pm
Room 508
Leader: Jody Prusan

Children are expected to attend these services with an adult.

Shorashim

For families with children 3 – 4

Saturday, October 2
11:15 am – 12:00 pm
Room 408
Leader: Matt Check

Children are expected to attend these services with an adult.

Nitzanim

For children 5 – 8

Saturdays, October 2 & 16
11:15 am – 12:00 pm
Room 308
Leader: Hadar

Parents are welcome, but not required to attend with their children.

Young Family Kabbalat Shabbat Service and Dinner

Friday, October 22 | 5:00 – 6:30 pm | Sanctuary

Families with children 0-6 are invited to join our clergy for a family-friendly Kabbalat Shabbat service, followed immediately by a child-friendly buffet dinner and short program. Cost: $35/members, $45/non-members, $15/children. Space is limited.

To reserve, *To reserve, go to www.pasyn.org and click on Young Family Education. Under Upcoming Events, click on the link. Cancellations with refund (or credit towards another dinner) until noon on Wednesday, October 20.*

Young Family Havdalah Service

Saturday, October 30 | 5:00 – 6:00 pm | Room 408

Families with children 0-6 are invited to join members of our clergy and YFE Director Matt Check for a musical Havdalah service that includes learning for parents and an art activity for the kids.

To RSVP, *email yfe@pasyn.org with full names of attendees and ages of children by Monday, October 25 at 12:00 pm.*

UJA@PAS on Mitzvah Day

Don't miss an opportunity to make a difference at Vicki K. Wimpfheimer Mitzvah Day on October 24. Among the many projects for the whole family there will be several that benefit UJA-Federation supported agencies, including the Jewish Agency for Israel's Lone Soldier Program, Met Council and more. You will also be able to sign up for future volunteer opportunities at a UJA-Federation beneficiary agency. See page 16 for more information about Vicki K. Wimpfheimer Mitzvah Day 2010!

Social Work Support

for PAS Seniors, Families and their Caregivers

If you are looking for companionship, shopping assistance, an escort to a medical appointment, a volunteer opportunity or caregiver support for yourself or a family member, please contact DOROT social worker Katie Weinberger, LMSW, who holds office hours at PAS on Thursdays from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

For more information *or to make an appointment, contact Katie at 212-769-2850 or kweinberger@dorotusa.org, or Rabbi Rein at srein@pasyn.org or at 212-369-2600, x124. Onsite social work support made possible by a UJA Partners in Caring grant.*

Programming at a New Level

Jason Oppenheimer
Director of Youth Activities & Rabbi Judah Nadich High School

As we leave the Holidays behind us, the Youth Activities department is looking at innovative programming. From hiking and apple-picking in Cold Springs, NY, to the Bronx Zoo and a Broadway musical, we're aiming to take youth programming to the next level.

We've created new programs for Middle School students that are designed to complement the Congregational School curriculum as students move past Bar or Bat Mitzvah and into the Rabbi Judah Nadich High School.

New initiatives in the Rabbi Judah Nadich High School include a social action track anchored in the traditions and success of our PAS Food Pantry and an innovative teachers' assistant/ leadership development program. Our Wednesday night class sessions are aimed at comprehensive educational integration. The faculty includes members of our clergy as well as other talented educators. We're all excited to make Wednesday nights at PAS an essential routine of this school year.

HIKING, APPLE-PICKING, AND MORE... OH MY!

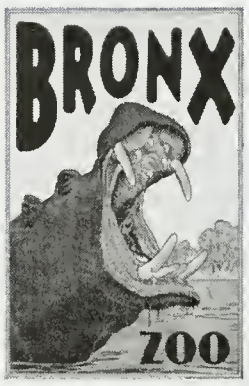
Sunday October 3
10:00 am – 5:00 pm
For students in grades 6 – 8

Get excited for our first annual trip to Cold Springs, New York! Just a couple of hours outside of the City, this picturesque setting offers some of the best hiking in the region. When we return from the trail, it's off to the orchard. Your families will have at least a week's worth of apples when we return from this incredible trip! Transportation details will come by email. If you've not yet signed up, contact Jason ASAP so you can come along.

THE BRONX ZOO SCAVENGER HUNT

Sunday, November 14
1:00 – 4:00 pm
For students in Grades 3 – 5

Whether this is your first visit or your umpteenth, you're sure to have a special experience as we navigate one of the greatest zoos in the country with a uniquely Jewish perspective. Team up with your pals as you compete in an intense scavenger hunt with tricky clues and awesome prizes. This is going to be one event you definitely don't want to miss. Keep your eyes on your mailbox and your email for more details!



THERE'S NO BUSINESS LIKE SHOW BUSINESS

Sunday, November 21
1:00 – 5:00 pm
For students in Grades 6 – 8

Do you have aspirations to perform on Broadway? Or maybe you just really love the spectacle of dance and song on stage? This is your chance to take in all the wonder of Broadway with your buddies at PAS! The musical is still to be decided, but rest assured that whatever show we see, it will be a classic experience for us all.

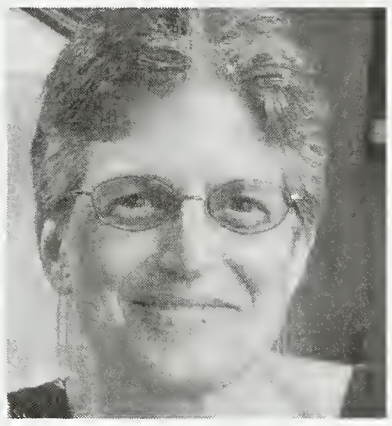
PAS Care Packages for Collegians

Even in this era of email, there is nothing like a package from home! The Tikkun Olam Committee sends holiday packages and occasional email greetings to PAS members who are in college. To make sure that your student is on the list to receive these goodies, please send both the email address and landmail address to Craig Demarest at cdemarest@pasyn.org.

Make Books Your Companions...

Make books your companions;
let your bookshelves be your gardens;
bask in their beauty,
gather their fruit,
pluck their roses,
take their spices and myrrh.

—Judah Ibn Tibbon, 1150



The New York Times reported last month that while almost three times as many people as last year are reading e-books, print books still have their devotees. As Jews, we do not give up one form of written text when the next one becomes fashionable. The Torah may be the only "book" that is currently read and studied in all the forms in which it has ever appeared – as a handwritten scroll, a handwritten codex (book), a printed book, and as an e-book and app. Even if you prefer e-books for recreational reading, when you are called to the Torah, you'll read from a scroll, and when you follow the service, you'll hold a printed siddur. Whether you prefer print books, or you're taking a break from your e-reader, come to the Edmond de Rothschild Library for Jewish classics, current fiction and nonfiction, and children's books.

We added many items over the summer and we continue to add titles every week. Some of these books have been published in the current year; others have been in print for longer but were missing from our collection. Here are a few highlights.

20th Century Jewish Religious Thought: Original Essays on Critical Concepts, Movements, and Beliefs | edited by Arthur A. Cohen and Paul Mendes-Flohr | Originally published in 1987, and reissued last year by The Jewish Publication Society, this collection of essays by leading rabbis, scholars and philosophers is a handbook of Jewish belief.

Adolph Gottlieb: a Retrospective | organized by Sanford Hirsch | This catalog of an exhibit at the Corcoran Museum of Art sheds light on the creator of the matchless stained glass windows in the PAS lobby and chapel.

Displaced Persons | by Ghita Schwarz | A first novel by an author who grew up at PAS, this story conveys the challenge for Holocaust survivors to piece together a meaningful life in the U.S.

The Ninth Step | by Gabriel Cohen | Third in a series about a Brooklyn detective whose cases combine the appeal of a mystery with the draw of a local setting.

Wherever You Go | by Joan Leegant | The evocative descriptions in this novel about Americans in Israel seeking to resolve questions of faith brings Israel to life.

Hot Pursuit: Murder in Mississippi | by Stacia Deutsch, et al | Middle grade youngsters will be moved by the story of the Mississippi Freedom Project and the murder of Michael Schwerner, Andrew Goodman, and James Earl Chaney.

Feivel's Flying Horses | by Heidi Smith Hyde; illustrated by Johanna van der Sterre | An immigrant earns money to bring his wife and children to join him in America by creating ornate horses for a carousel on Coney Island.

Before We Eat | by Jacqueline Jules | A board book introduces young children to the *ha-motzi* blessing.

About the Edmond de Rothschild Library

The library at PAS is a haven where congregants of all ages learn Torah, read the newspaper, surf the web, chat in Yiddish, listen to cantorial gems, or play with Hebrew alphabet blocks. Come to the library to join a daytime class, read a recent magazine, borrow a DVD, read a board book to your toddler, or visit Torah study sites on the Internet. Librarian Marga Hirsch can help you find your next leisure read, decipher a tombstone inscription, interlibrary loan a book from another library, or choose a Jewish book for your child or grandchild.

Library Hours: Monday – Thursday: 12:00 – 6:30 pm | Friday: 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Marga is generally in the Library at other times as well – feel free to stop by with questions or for book recommendations! The room is always open, with instructions on the desk for how to check out books in Marga's absence.

Come together as a congregation & a community to help make a difference for those in need!

Vicki K. Wimpfheimer Mitzvah Day 5771

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24

Mitzvah Day beneficiary agencies include:

DOROT
Jewish Home Lifecare
Partnership for the Homeless
Project Ezra
Ronald McDonald House
Sanctuary for Families
The Doe Fund
The Ittleson Foundation
UJA – Federation of New York
Yorkville Common Pantry

VISIT WWW.PASYN.ORG FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION/SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

New this year

Create a children's library

— bring new and gently read children's favorites, and make personalized bookplates. The books will be donated to a facility where they will be cherished.

Mitzvah Day Café

— schmooze and nosh (snacks on us) with friends between activities.

Special viewing: *Making the Crooked Straight*

— an inspiring documentary by Susan Cohn Rockefeller about Dr. Rick Hodes' remarkable work with children.

Mitzvah Day traditions

- ECC Mitzvah City
- Hands-on craft projects
- Care packages for soldiers
- Tot sing-a-long *with Jody Prusan*
- Behind-the-scenes tour of PAS
- Blood drive
- Tag Sale

Clean out your closets for a good cause!
Luxury goods and children's costumes – look for special displays! Adults' and children's clothing, costumes, footwear, eyeglasses and accessories; housewares, appliances, china and crystal; toys and games, CDs/DVDs, cell phones

We're especially looking for donations of designer items for our new luxury sale section! Donations will be accepted at the synagogue during advance donation days. For special arrangements, contact Shelly Katz-Biederman at shellylkb@nyc.rr.com or 917-209-1269. ***Please only new and gently used items; no books or stuffed animals.***

Make a difference all year long! Keep up Mitzvah Day momentum by volunteering for monthly activities. Look for information in the Mitzvah Day Café.

Your help is needed to make this day a success! *To volunteer to set up, staff or pack up, please send your contact information to mitzvahday@pasyn.org or go online to www.pasyn.org.*

Vicki K. Wimpfheimer was the embodiment of a life of *mitzvot* and a person who made a difference. Married at age 22 to Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, Vicki joined her husband's family at P.A.S. and was active in the congregation for the next seven decades, A proponent of Jewish education at all levels, she helped to start the congregational nursery school. A tireless worker for social justice, she helped to start Mitzvah Day. When Vicki Wimpfheimer passed away, her five children determined to keep her good works and her spirit alive by endowing Mitzvah Day.

Vicki K. Wimpfheimer Mitzvah Day is the manifestation of the causes she believed in and was involved with, according to her daughter, P.A.S. member Doris Finkel. "We wanted to honor the way Mother worked in so many ways to improve the lives of congregants of all ages. Mitzvah Day is the perfect memorial."

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Know someone ill, elderly or homebound?

The **PAS BIKUR CHOLIM CARING COMMITTEE**—*in loving memory of Dr. Albert and Phyllis L. Cornell*—reaches out to those in need through telephone calls, visits, and holiday packages.

The Caring Committee's trained volunteers are committed to providing confidential hands-on support and companionship to the members of our congregation.

To arrange for this mitzvah, *please call Rabbi Cosgrove's office at 212-369-2600, x120.*

Synagogue Offerings
Ahou Abroon, *in memory of her beloved grandmother Touba Soumekh.*
Ahou Abroon, *in memory of her beloved grandfather Yaghoub Banayan.*
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Daniel Bernstein, *in memory of his beloved father Arthur Harold Bernstein.*
Ernestine Bernstein, *in memory of her beloved husband Arthur Harold Bernstein.*
Dr. Matilda Brust, *in memory of her beloved husband Dr. Manfred Brust.*
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Toni & Bob Ceisler, *in honor of the birth of their grandson, Matthew Ryan Conte.*
Carol Cohen, *in memory of her beloved mother Estelle Yavers.*
Carol H. Cohen, *in memory of her beloved mother Evelyn Herman.*
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Frederick & Susan Friedman, *in honor of their anniversary.*
Eugenie Fromer, *in memory of her beloved husband Leon Fromer.*
Leon Heller, *in memory of his beloved sister Florence Rampil.*
Helen Judlowe, *in memory of her beloved mother Evelyn Lautenberg.*
Linda Klempner, *in honor of her birthday.*
Cantor David & Joan Lefkowitz, *in honor of the anniversary of Mr. & Mrs. Morton Davis.*
Cantor David & Joan Lefkowitz, *commemorating the 1st Yahrzeit of our beloved father Cantor Jacob Lefkowitz.*
Cantor David & Joan Lefkowitz, *in honor of Mr. & Mrs. Paul Corwin on the marriage of their son Michael to Dorit.*
Cantor David & Joan Lefkowitz, *in memory of Henry Rutman.*
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Marian Levitt, *in honor of her birthday.*
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PAS CALENDAR OF EVENTS: OCTOBER 2010 Tishrei/Heshvan 5771

*Information is subject to change. Confirm at **www.pasyn.org** or with the office.*

October

ANY CHANGES ARE NOTED WHEN THEY OCCUR.

Daily Shaharit Minyanim
Monday – Friday at 7:15 am;
Sunday & Legal Holidays at 9:00 am.

Minha/Ma'ariv
Sunday – Thursday at 5:45 pm.

					1 23 Tishrei **Simhat Torah** **Candles, 6:21 pm** **9:15 am Festival Morning Service** **6:15 pm Friday evening service**	**2** 24 Tishrei **Parashat B'reishit** **8:45 am Parashat HaShavua** **9:15 am Sanctuary Shabbat service** **10:15 am Junior Congregation** **11:15 am Tot Shabbat** **11:15 am Shorashim** **11:15 am Nitzanim** **12:15 pm Rabbinic Dialogue**
3 25 Tishrei	**4** 26 Tishrei **6:30 pm Hebrew classes** **8:00 pm Book Discussion Group**	**5** 27 Tishrei **8:00 am Essential Essays** **10:00 am Kitah Rishonah** **11:30 am Contemporary Jewish Thought** **5:00 pm CS Parent Ed** **7:30 pm Dr. Ken Stein Israel lecture**	**6** 28 Tishrei **5:00 pm CS Parent Ed** **5:30 pm Tavim** **6:00 pm Melton classes**	**7** 29 Tishrei **8:30 am Melton classes** **12:00 pm Lunch & Learn** **7:30 pm Moonbeams**	**8** 30 Tishrei **Rosh Hodesh** **Candles, 6:10 pm** **8:00 am Talmud Torah** **9:15 am Caffeine for the Soul** **9:30 am First Day HaMishpachah Sheli** **6:15 pm Friday Evening Service**	**9** 1 Heshvan **Rosh Hodesh** **Parashat Noah** **8:45 am Parashat HaShavua** **9:15 am Sanctuary service** **No CS classes or Jr Cong**
10 2 Heshvan	**11** 3 Heshvan **Columbus Day** **Offices closed**	**12** 4 Heshvan **8:00 am Essential Essays** **10:00 am Kitah Rishonah** **11:30 am Contemporary Jewish Thought** **6:30 pm Davening for Daveners** **7:00 pm R. Cosgrove lecture**	**13** 5 Heshvan **5:30 pm Tavim** **6:45 pm Melton classes**	**14** 6 Heshvan **9:15 am Melton classes** **12:00 pm Lunch & Learn** **5:30 pm Vav B'nei Mitzvah Family Program** **7:00 pm New Members Welcome Event**	**15** 7 Heshvan **Candles, 5:59 pm** **8:00 am Talmud Torah** **9:30 am HaMishpachah Sheli** **3:30 pm Food Pantry begins** **6:15 pm Musical Kabbalat Shabbat** **7:30 pm Congregational Dinner & Speaker**	**16** 8 Heshvan **Parashat Lekh L'kha** **8:45 am Parashat HaShavua** **9:15 am Sanctuary service** **9:30 am Havurah** **10:00 am Shabbat B'Yachad Gimel/Dalet** **10:15 am Jr Cong Hey/Vav** **11:15 am YFE Shabbat services**
17 9 Heshvan **10:00 am CS Zayin trip to Museum of Jewish Heritage**	**18** 10 Heshvan **6:30 pm Hebrew classes** **7:30 pm MASA'OT begins (Conversion Class)** **7:30 pm WEG Lecture & New member event**	**19** 11 Heshvan **8:00 am Essential Essays** **10:00 am Kitah Rishonah** **11:30 am Contemporary Jewish Thought** **6:30 pm Davening for Daveners** **7:30 pm Dr. Ken Stein Israel lecture**	**20** 12 Heshvan **12:00 pm Midtown Lunch & Learn** **5:30 pm Tavim** **6:45 pm Melton classes** **7:15 pm Adult Bat Mitzvah class begins**	**21** 13 Heshvan **9:15 am Melton classes** **12:00 pm Lunch & Learn** **7:00 pm Jewish Themes in Classical Music**	**22** 14 Heshvan **Candles, 5:48 pm** **8:00 am Talmud Torah** **9:30 am HaMishpachah Sheli** **3:30 pm Food Pantry** **5:00 pm Young Family Service** **6:15 pm Friday Evening Services** **8:00 pm Young Professionals Dinner**	**23** 15 Heshvan **Parashat Va-yera** **8:45 am Parashat HaShavua** **9:00 am Sanctuary service** **10:15 pm Jr Cong** **11:15 am Rabbi Cosgrove lecture** **6:00 pm Minha**
24 16 Heshvan **Vicki K. Wimpfheimer Mitzvah Day** **31** 23 Heshvan	**25** 17 Heshvan **6:30 pm Hebrew classes** **7:30 pm MASA'OT**	**26** 18 Heshvan **8:00 am Essential Essays** **10:00 am Kitah Rishonah** **11:30 am Contemporary Jewish Thought** **6:30 pm Davening for Daveners** **7:00 pm R. Cosgrove lecture**	**27** 19 Heshvan **12:00 pm Midtown Lunch & Learn** **1:00 pm Sisterhood trip** **5:30 pm Tavim** **6:45 pm Melton classes** **7:15 pm Adult Bat Mitzvah class** **8:00 pm WEG Theater Outing**	**28** 20 Heshvan **9:15 am Melton classes** **12:00 pm Lunch & Learn** **7:30 pm Social Justice Study Group**	**29** 21 Heshvan **Candles, 5:39 pm** **8:00 am Talmud Torah** **9:30 am HaMishpachah Sheli** **3:30 pm Food Pantry** **6:15 pm Friday Evening service** **7:30 pm Reclaiming Shabbat**	**30** 22 Heshvan **Parashat Hayei Sarah** **8:45 am Parashat HaShavua** **9:15 am Sanctuary service** **9:30 am Havurah** **10:00 am Shabbat B'Yachad Hey/Vav** **10:15 am Jr Cong Gimel/Dalet** **5:00 pm Young Family Havdalah** **6:00 pm Minha**

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Monday, November 1 | 11:00 am | Daytime Book Discussion Group | ***The Jewish Husband*, by Lia Levi**

Monday, November 1 | 8:00 pm | Evening Book Discussion Group | ***The Glass Room*, by Simon Mawer**

Tuesday, November 9 | 6:15 pm | Kristallnacht Community Observance

Tuesday, November 9 | 7:00 pm | God, Torah and Israel: Third Evening of Learning with R. Cosgrove

Sunday, November 14 | 7:00 pm | Simply Singing

Monday, November 19 | 7:00 pm | Vicki K. Wimpfheimer Memorial Lecture | **Dr. Henry L. Feingold | "Jewish Power in America: Myth and Reality"**

Monday, November 22 | 7:30 pm | Social Justice Study Group